operation state value obtaining means for obtaining an operation state value of said electronic equipment;

type information obtaining means for obtaining type information of said electronic equipment; and

control enablement/disablement judging means for judging enablement/disablement of control of said electronic equipment, wherein when control enablement is judged by said control enablement/disablement judging means, said electronic equipment is controlled.

- 51. The information processing device according to claim 50 wherein said control enablement/disablement judging means judges enablement/disablement of control of said electronic equipment on the basis of ON/OFF information of a power supply of said electronic equipment obtained by said operation state value obtaining means.
- 52. The information processing device according to claim 50 wherein said control enablement/disablement judging means judges enablement/disablement of control of said electronic equipment on the basis of type information of said electronic equipment obtained by said type information obtaining means.
- 53. The information processing device according to claim 50 comprising alarming signal producing display means for producing a warning signal when control disablement is judged by said control enablement/disablement judging means to display said warning signal.
- 54. The information processing device according to claim 50 wherein said network comprises an IEEE1394 bus.
- 55. The information processing device according to claim 50 wherein said control enablement/disablement judging means judges enablement/disablement of control of said electronic equipment on the basis of presence or absence of decision of an operation state value of said electronic equipment obtained by said operation state value obtaining means.
- 56. The information processing device according to claim 50 comprising decision means for deciding the presence or absence of possessory rights relative to said electronic equipment,

wherein said control enablement/disablement judging means judges enablement/disablement of control of said electronic equipment on the basis of the presence or absence of possessory rights of said electronic equipment decided by said means for judging the presence or absence of possessory rights.

57. The information processing device according to claim 50 comprising means for storing change frequency within a fixed time of the operation state value of said electronic equipment obtained by said means for obtaining operation state value,

wherein when the type information of said electronic equipment obtained by said means for obtaining type information is recording and or reproducing equipment, said control enablement/disablement judging means judges enablement/disablement of control of said electronic equipment on the basis of the change frequency stored by said means for storing change frequency.

- 58. The information processing device according to claim 57 wherein said electronic equipment includes at least a digital versatile disc device, a digital video cassette recorder, a tape recorder, a compact disc device, and a minidisc device.
- 59. The information processing device according to claim 57 wherein said operation state value is a control state value of the disc device, a control state value of the tape device, or a control state value of a semiconductor device.
- 60. The information processing device according to claim 57 wherein said operation state value is a counter value of a recording passage time, or a reproducing passage time counter value.
- 61. The information processing device according to claim 57 wherein said operation state value is a tape counter value, a frame value, a field value, a track value, a chapter number, a recording passage time, or a reproducing passage time.
- 62. The information processing device according to claim 50 wherein when the type information of said electronic equipment obtained by said means for obtaining type information

is office selection equipment, said control enablement/disablement means judges enablement/disablement of control of said electronic equipment on the basis of an office number obtained by said means for obtaining operation state value.

- 63. The information processing device according to claim 62 wherein the type information of said electronic equipment obtained by said means for obtaining type information is a TV set, a tuner, a radio set, or a set top box.
- 64. An information processing method for carrying out give and receive of information to and from electronic equipment through a network comprising:

obtaining an operation state value of said electronic equipment; obtaining type information of said electronic equipment; and

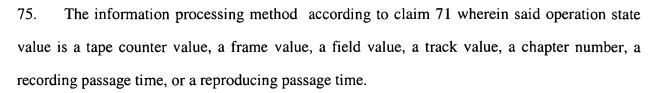
judging enablement/disablement of control of said electronic equipment, wherein when control enablement is judged as a result of said control enablement/disablement judgment, said electronic equipment is controlled.

- 65. The information processing method according to claim 64 wherein in said control enablement/disablement judgment, enablement/disablement of control of said electronic equipment is judged on the basis of ON/OFF information of a power supply of said electronic equipment obtained.
- 66. The information processing method according to claim 64 wherein in said control enablement/disablement judgment, enablement/disablement of control of said electronic equipment is judged on the basis of type information of said electronic equipment obtained.
- 67. The information processing method according to claim 64 wherein when control disablement is judged as a result of said control enablement/disablement judgment, a warning signal is produced, said warning signal being displayed.
- 68. The information processing method according to claim 64 wherein said network comprises an IEEE1394 bus.



- 69. The information processing method according to claim 64 wherein in said control enablement/disablement judgment, enablement/disablement of control of said electronic equipment is judged on the basis of presence or absence of decision of an operation state value of said electronic equipment obtained.
- 70. The information processing method according to claim 64 wherein the presence or absence of the setting of possessory rights relative to said electronic equipment is judged, and in said enablement/disablement judgment, enablement/disablement of control of said electronic equipment is judged on the basis of the presence or absence of possessory rights of said electronic equipment.
- 71. The information processing method according to claim 64 wherein change frequency within a fixed time of the operation state value of said electronic equipment obtained is stored, and when the type information of said electronic equipment obtained is recording and or reproducing equipment, enablement/disablement of control of said electronic equipment is judged on the basis of the change frequency stored in said control enablement/disablement judgment.
- 72. The information processing method according to claim 71 wherein said electronic equipment includes at least a digital versatile disc device, a digital video cassette recorder, a tape recorder, a compact disc device, and a minidisc device.
- 73. The information processing method according to claim 71 wherein said operation state value is a control state value of the disc device, a control state value of the tape device, or a control state value of a semiconductor device.
- 74. The information processing method according to claim 71 wherein said operation state value is a counter value of a recording passage time, or a reproducing passage time counter value.

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- 76. The information processing method according to claim 64 wherein when the type information of said electronic equipment is office selection equipment, enablement/disablement of control of said electronic equipment is judged on the basis of an office number obtained in said control enablement/disablement judgment.
- 77. The information processing method according to claim 76 wherein the type information of said electronic equipment obtained is a TV set, a tuner, a radio set, or a set top box.
- 78. A program for carrying out give and receive of information to and from electronic equipment through a network including:
 - a step for obtaining an operation state value of said electronic equipment;
 - a step for obtaining type information of said electronic equipment;
 - a step for judging enablement/disablement of said electronic equipment; and
- a step for carrying out controlling of said electronic equipment when control enablement is judged as a result of said control enablement/disablement judgement.
- 79. A recording medium having a program for carrying out give and receive of information to and from electronic equipment through a network recorded therein;
 - said program including:
 - a step for obtaining an operation state value of said electronic equipment;
 - a step for obtaining type information of said electronic equipment;
 - a step for judging enablement/disablement of said electronic equipment; and
- a step for carrying out controlling of said electronic equipment when control enablement is judged as a result of said control enablement/disablement judgement.